PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

STAFF REPORT

August 21, 2008



Alley Abandonment: AC08-02: Herb Currie

LOCATION: a request to abandon a 10-foot wide and 106-foot long section of alley

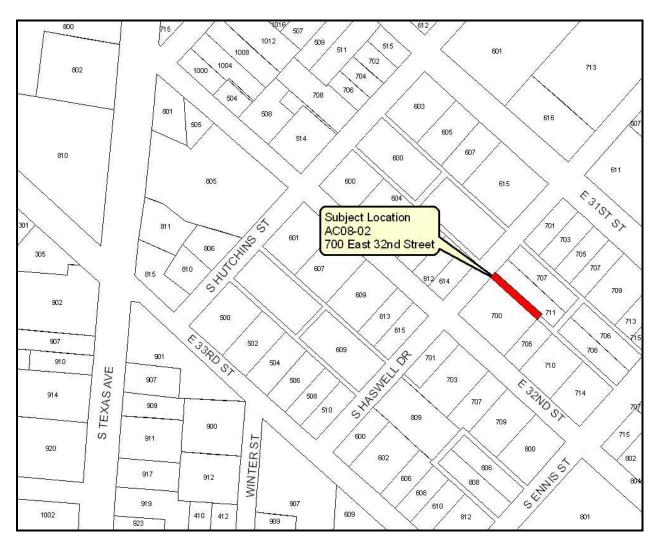
right-of-way adjacent to Lots 18, 19 and 20 in Block 22 of Cavitt's Bryan Heights Subdivision of the Phillips Addition (addressed at 700

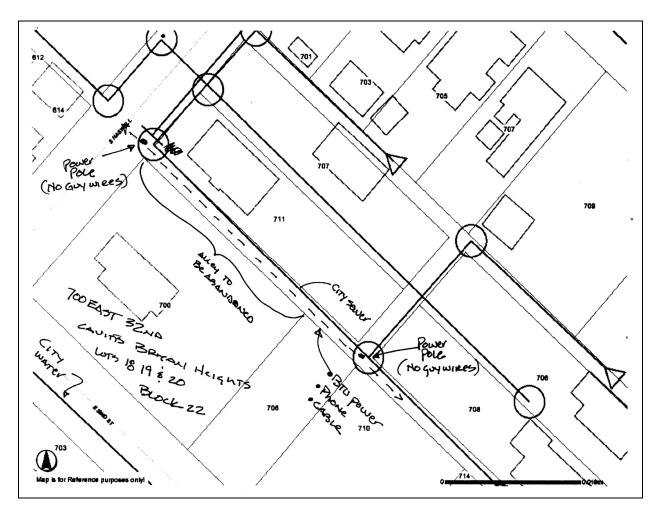
East 32nd Street) in Bryan, Brazos County, Texas

APPLICANT(S): Herb Currie

STAFF CONTACT: Randy Haynes, Staff Planner

LOCATION MAP:





BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS:

The alley adjacent to property at 700 East 32nd Street has been functionally closed for over 20 years. The current adjoining property owner/applicant, Mr. Herb Currie, wishes to have the alley officially abandoned in order to improve the land for off-street parking. The property owner adjoining the alley to the north-east (Lot 11, Block 22) has granted the applicant ownership of his half while retaining access rights along the entire tract. In addition, a public utility easement will be retained by the City of Bryan covering all of the abandoned alley right-of-way.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Site Development Review Committee and staff recommend **approving** the request to permanently abandon this alley right-of-way. Abandoning the subject right-of-way, as recommended, will still allow most of this land to be integrated with adjacent land. The recommended rearrangement of land now within this right-of-way is believed to have the most likely long-range public benefit.